

PATENT
450100-03089

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Takao YOSHIMINE et al.
Serial No. : 09/821,501
For : CONTENT PROVIDING DEVICE, CONTENT PROVIDING METHOD, PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIA, CONTENT PROVIDING SYSTEM AND CONTENT RESERVATION CONTROL METHOD
Filed : March 29, 2001
Examiner : Robert B. Harrell
Art Unit : 2142

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004, wherein restriction was required as follows:

Group I claims 1-3 and 10-12, directed to "a content providing device;"

Group II claims 4-9, directed to "a content providing method;"

Group III claims 13-17 and 28-32, directed to "a content providing device;"

Group IV claims 18-27, directed to "a content providing method;"

Group V claims 33-36 and 45-48, directed to "a content providing device;" and

Group VI claims 37-44, directed to "a content reservation control method."

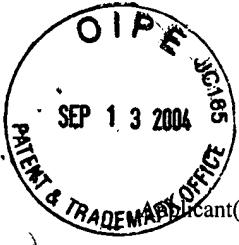
Applicants elect, **without traverse**, Group I claims 1-3 and 10-12 for further prosecution in the present application.

Applicants reserve their right to file one or more divisional applications to re-present nonelected claims 4-9 and 13-48.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	48	Minus	** =48	* 0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	12	Minus	*** =12	* 0 x	\$86 (43)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

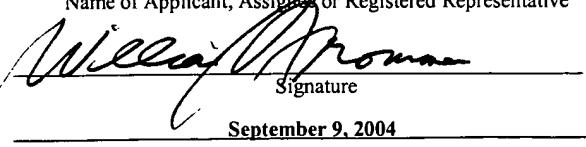
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- This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290(145) has been previously paid , or is paid herewith .
- This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached, which covers the cost of additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.
- Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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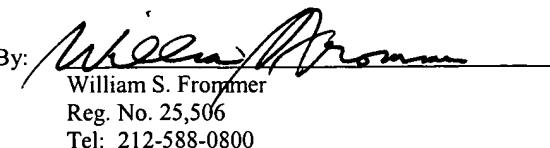
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